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- (iii) Owners of each vessel registered to a Pacific whiting vessel license that are not covered by paragraphs (a)(1)(i) and (ii) above; and
- (iv) First receivers issued current Pacific whiting first receiver exempted fishing permits.
 - (2) Supporting documentation.
- (i) Business entities completing the Trawl Identification of Ownership Interest Form are required to submit the following:
- (A) A corporate resolution or any other credible documentation as proof that the representative of the entity is authorized to act on behalf of the entity; and
- (B) Proof that the business entity was established and is currently recognized as active under the laws of the United States or any state.
- (ii) After review of the Trawl Identification of Ownership Interest Form, NMFS may require the following additional documentation:
- (A) Articles of incorporation, a notarized contract, or any other credible documentation that identifies each person who owns an interest in the entity and their percentage of ownership;
- (B) A certified copy of the current vessel document (United States Coast Guard or state) as evidence of vessel ownership; or
- (C) Such other relevant, credible information as the applicant may submit, or as the SFD or the Regional Administrator may request or require.
- (3) Deadline. Persons listed in paragraph (a)(1) will be provided at least 60 calendar days to submit completed forms. All forms must be completed and returned to NMFS with a postmark no later than the deadline date of May 1, 2010.
 - (b) [Reserved]

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\$660.338 Limited entry permits-small fleet.

(a) Small limited entry fisheries fleets that are controlled by a local government, are in existence as of July 11, 1991, and have negligible impacts on the groundfish resource, may be certified as consistent with the goals and objectives of the limited entry program and incorporated into the limited entry fishery. Permits issued under this sub-

section will be issued in accordance with the standards and procedures set out in the PCGFMP and will carry the rights explained therein.

(b) A permit issued under this section may be registered only to another vessel that will continue to operate in the same certified small fleet, provided that the total number of vessels in the fleet does not increase. A vessel may not use a small fleet limited entry permit for participation in the limited entry fishery outside of authorized activities of the small fleet for which that permit and vessel have been designated.

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§ 660.339 Limited entry permit and Pacific whiting vessel license fees.

- (a) The Regional Administrator will charge fees to cover administrative expenses related to issuance of limited entry permits including initial issuance, renewal, transfer, vessel registration, replacement, and appeals. The appropriate fee must accompany each application.
- (b) The Regional Administrator will charge a one-time fee for the issuance of the original Pacific whiting vessel license.

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\$660.340 Limited entry permit appeals.

- (a) Decisions on appeals of initial decisions regarding issuance, renewal, change in vessel registration, change in permit owner or permit holder, and endorsement upgrade, will be made by the Regional Administrator.
- (b) Appeals decisions shall be in writing and shall state the reasons therefor.
- (c) Within 30 days of an initial decision by the SFD denying issuance, renewal, change in vessel registration, change in permit owner or permit holder, or endorsement upgrade, on the terms requested by the applicant, an appeal may be filed with the Regional Administrator.
- (d) The appeal must be in writing, and must allege facts or circumstances to show why the criteria in this subpart have been met, or why an exception should be granted.